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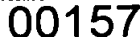
Sir:

The Office Action dated August 15, 2000, issued in the subject patent application, has been received and reviewed and the following is in response thereto.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In page 21, please change the heading of the last column in the table by deleting "comparison 1.3" and inserting --comparison 3.2--, in its stead.



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